

Slips and Falls – Avoid Slip-Ups Stats and Facts



FACTS

INJURIES IN SLIP AND FALL ACCIDENTS

1. Broken Bones.
2. Spinal Cord Injuries.
3. Neck Injuries.
4. Concussions.
5. Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI).
6. Severe Cuts and Lacerations.
7. Knee and Ankle Injuries.
8. Shoulder, Elbow, and Wrist Injuries.
9. Facial Injuries.
10. Chronic Pain.

STATS

- In 2020, 805 workers died in falls, and 211,640 were injured badly enough to require days off of work. A worker doesn't have fall from a high level to suffer fatal injuries; 136 workers were killed in falls on the same level in 2020, according to Injury Facts. Construction workers are most at risk for fatal falls from height – more than seven times the rate of other industries – but falls can happen anywhere, even at a “desk job.” Check out this industry profile to see the most recent data on workplace injuries and deaths by occupation.
- Fall fatalities are nearly equally divided between men and women. However, more women will experience a slip-and-fall accident. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, falls accounted for 5% of the job-related fatalities for women compared to 11% for men.
- 85% of worker's compensation claims are attributed to employees slipping on slick floors.
- 22% of slip/fall incidents resulted in more than 31 days away from work.
- Compensation & medical costs associated with employee slip/fall accidents is approximately \$70 billion annually.